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OCEAN TRAVELING.

Luxuries and Pleasures of a Present Day Sea Voyage.

An Interesting Letter From Miss Irene Detwiler, Who is With the Hillsboro Party of Ladies in Europe.

By the kindness of Mr. L. Detwiler we are enabled to give the following extracts from a letter to her parents by Miss Irene Detwiler, of the Hillsboro party of ladies traveling in Europe, describing their ocean voyage:

"Early Saturday morning, September 16th, hundreds were on board the *Memorine* for last farewells, but at 9 a. m. all adieux were ended by the bell—and she broke away—midst the flutter of handkerchiefs, the waving of huge bunches of flowers given as parting tokens, and not a few silent tears for our native shores. Out into the matchless New York harbor, with banners aloft, under the benediction of the Goddess of Liberty and in view of the New York, Brooklyn and Jersey shores, with the wonderful Brooklyn bridge vanishing into a graceful cobweb, we skimmed farther and farther out into the boundless blue. Finally the pilot left us in his little bark, with our last loving messages, and all connection was severed with the busy, progressive world for 11 days.

"In two hours after leaving the dock we were out of sight of land. But that was almost forgotten in the enthusiastic study of a part of the Atlantic Fleet, which skimmed around us and quickly was lost to view. We saw the New York, Massachusetts, Indiana, Brooklyn and Texas. It was an unexpected treat. The vessel 'Shamrock' was also passing in training for its coming race with the 'Columbia'."

"Luncheon was served at 12:30 p. m., tea and wafers at 4:30 p. m., dinner at 6:30 p. m. and breakfast at 8:30 a. m. Every one is delighted with the service and the cooking and will be so long as they can enjoy it.

"With the exception of one hour Sabbath morning (during which the Episcopal service was read by the captain in the dining saloon and several hymns sung) the time was spent on the upper deck enjoying the glorious novelty of the tireless water, the invigorating salt air, just cold enough to be bracing, and the luxury of having nothing to do. Sunday the sky was the clearest sky-blue; the water which at first seemed a dove gray had taken on more than an indigo blue depth and richness. While at the beautifully clear and glorious sunset of Sunday evening the sea seemed sprinkled with real ashes of roses toward the horizon long after the great globe of gold had suddenly buried itself in the bosom of the sea. As is customary on Sunday afternoon all hands were called on deck and one of the life boats was lowered, for the practice. Eight life-boats are standing on the upper deck filled with provisions, fresh water, ropes, etc., ready for an emergency, which we hope we will not see. The state-rooms seem small but comfortable and since No. 25 has been so repeatedly congratulated by her less fortunate neighbors on her commodious apartment. Miss Cowan, May Bell and myself begin to think that perchance we have drawn the lucky number, especially while enjoying the laughable maneuvers of our friends across the way to gain access to their steamer trunks.

"One hundred and thirty sailor hands are kept busy caring for the boat and its passengers while 24 others look after the stock. The whole of Monday, September 18, was occupied by the sailors in taring the ropes, repairing the outside of the vessel and making every preparation for stormy weather, of which the first signs appeared about noon Monday, when on the unspotted dome of blue above us there arose a fleecy cloud no larger than a man's hand, which spread and multiplied so quickly that soon the sky was covered many fold. At the sunset hour there appeared, as it were, three or four successive layers of distant scenery on the boundless, matchless stage above us, lighted between by the red light of the dying sun in his last noble efforts to consume them all.

"With the going of the sun came the rain so suddenly and in such torrents that we could scarcely make our escape. Safe indoors we made each other merry with song and riddles and gaiety until Somnus kissed our weary eyelids, and we slept away the long, dark, stormy night. 'Rocked in the cradle of the deep,' until the fog horn awoke us in the morning with its hoarse voice call-

ing for the kindly sun to come again and lead us forth from direct danger. But all day long he came not, and the cold, cold rain and wind made a gray sky, a gray rough sea and a gray day.

The first day we made 305 miles, the second day 309 miles and the third 304 miles were gained. But as the huge vessel weighing 10,000 tons glided on over the glassy water like a great white bird there was so little motion she seemed as though she were only floating to those who know what a really rough sea is. A lady who crosses very often says this is the only time she has ever crossed that she had been able to enjoy every meal so far.

Wednesday we passed a German sailing vessel and a picturesque school of porpoise. Thursday afternoon, in mid ocean, the sixth day out at sea; 1800 miles from the land of the stars and stripes, and but half the race run. I, for one, would not mind if it were over. For there can be too much of even a good thing. So far none have said that they were 'ill,' but most have said at times they did 'not feel very well,' often missing a meal because they preferred waiting until tomorrow to even see too many good things, or perhaps have an orange or wafer served in their rooms.

"Our fellow travelers are a very interesting study—all being first class and an unusual lot of intelligent people. The professional singer is here, a lovely lady dividing her time between London, New York and Boston. The actress is here, whose golden hair loses its luster in the salt spray. Also the young divine on his way to Edinburgh to prepare himself later for the German University. The interesting trained nurse is here, who has left her place as supervisor of the operating room in St. John's Hospital, N. Y. The list of artists on board includes a young lady decorator from the Rockwood pottery on her way to join fellow associates, formerly of the Cincinnati Art School, in Paris to continue her studies, and several young men who are professional illustrators of prominent magazines. A Mrs. Mason is the sick lady on board—lying prostrate on deck in sun and rain with no protection but her husband's great coat, while her five little children take care of themselves and each other. The student is here with his ever present book, and the sport promenading the deck in his white kid slippers and striped cap.

"The boys and girls have a gay time getting acquainted and cutting each other out, planning daytime frolics and midnight larks. Shuffle board, ring throwing, tug of war, with pulling on ropes, and swinging are some of the amusements on the upper deck. Saturday evening an excellent concert was given by the professional musicians on board, assisted by an elocutionist in charge of an English elocution school. After refreshments were served in the dining saloon we repaired to the upper deck to watch the sights.

"Tuesday morning at five o'clock we rose to catch the first sight of land (after 10 days) as we entered the English Channel. The first point visible was Lizard Point with its lighthouse. It was a beautiful sight with the sun just rising on it. Numerous vessels of various kinds and sizes were in view. The City of Paris and the Mohecan of the Atlantic transport line were both wrecked at this point. The remains of the Mohecan are still visible. As we land in London tomorrow morning I will say goodbye.

IRENE DETWILER.

It's a mistake to imagine that itching piles can't be cured; a mistake to suffer a day longer than you can help. Doan's Ointment brings instant relief and permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

While France stands next to Great Britain in the number of war vessels, according to the Marine Review, as a matter of fact, the fighting capacity of the American navy to day is second only to that of Great Britain. "Already," says the Review, "the eyes of every naval officer across the Atlantic are upon us, eagerly watching the experiments we are making." This fact that we are now considered a great naval power, will doubtless cause the anti-imperialists to see bugaboo working the rapid dissolution of the Republic.

Within a very few years the United States has doubled her exportations. Somehow manufacturers and exporters failed to give much heed to the frantic appeals and prophecies of the Democrats that the enactment of Dingley protective tariff would kill our export trade; but kept right on exporting and capturing new markets abroad. In the first seven months of 1899 our exports of manufactures alone were nearly \$212,000,000 or \$1,000,000 a day, while in the corresponding months of 1895, they were in round numbers \$110,000,000 or half a million dollars a day.

\$87,605.09

Represents the Decrease in the Indebtedness of Highland County Since 1885,

When the Administration of the Affairs of the County was in the Hands of the Democracy and Had Been for Years.

In spite of lying articles in the Democratic press to the contrary Highland county is in better condition at the present time than it has been for years. This fact is well known to all who are acquainted with the facts, and statements to the contrary are deliberate lies. During the past fifteen years the Republicans have administered the affairs of the county and during but four years of that time has the Democracy had charge. Notwithstanding a decrease of between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000 in the duplicate which reduced the receipts for taxes nearly a third the county is now \$87,605.09 better off than in September, 1885. In that time a new jail was built, costing \$27,000; iron bridges, costing thousands of dollars, span nearly every stream in the county, and to this add the disastrous washouts of 1898, which cost \$26,000, and the showing is surely wonderful.

The following table of indebtedness speaks for itself and shows the exact condition of the treasury at the fall settlement for the past fifteen years:

COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1885.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$158,905 98.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	11,559 54.
Total indebtedness.....	170,465 52.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1886.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$141,375 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	6,664 63.
Total indebtedness.....	148,039 63.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1887.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$134,207 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	1,982 90.
Total indebtedness.....	136,189 90.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1888.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$116,227 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	150 11.
Total indebtedness.....	116,377 11.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1889.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 97,790 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	15 19.
Total indebtedness.....	98,805 19.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1890.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 79,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	1,565 53.
Total indebtedness.....	80,565 53.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1891.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 68,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	445 92.
Total indebtedness.....	68,445 92.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1892.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 60,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	6,477 11.
Total indebtedness.....	66,477 11.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1893.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 86,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	3,188 51.
Total indebtedness.....	89,188 51.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1894.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$100,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	18,271 82.
Total indebtedness.....	118,271 82.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1895.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 92,500 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	26,691 20.
Total indebtedness.....	119,191 20.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1896.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$111,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	5,238 99.
Total indebtedness.....	116,238 99.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1897.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 94,500 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	15,560 60.
Total indebtedness.....	110,060 60.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1898.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 73,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	20,199 30.
Total indebtedness.....	93,199 30.
COUNTY DEBT SEPTEMBER, 1899.	
Bonds outstanding.....	\$ 58,000 00.
Overdrafts on all funds.....	24,890 43.
Total indebtedness.....	82,890 43.

Figures speak louder than words. This table is taken from the records in the Auditor's and Treasurer's offices, which are open for public inspection. The files of the Hillsboro Gazette, the Democratic organ, will also corroborate every cent.

Intending to Deceive.

Probate Judge O. H. Hughes, who has either himself or through his Deputy, made out every cost bill drawn by Sheriff Williamson while in office, attempted last week to shift the responsibility for these acts in the Democratic press and makes two entirely different explanations. In one he pleads ignorance and in the other attempts to shift the responsibility for the mistakes on Sheriff Williamson. The following are extracts from the two explanations:

NO. 1.

"At the time the bill was presented to him, on May 19th, 1898, he had no knowledge of any change in the statute, the amendment having been made less than thirty days before, and that he had not received the advance sheets of the statutes containing the amendments. That the bill presented by Sheriff Williamson was taxed in accordance with what had been the generally accepted construction of the old law, viz: at ten cents per mile for the Sheriff and ten cents a mile for each assistant. He says that it is true that the Supreme Court had decided, a few months before, that the charge of assistants was illegal, but that he had not seen the decision at the time."

NO. 2.

"Now, watch this same officer as he walks into the office of the Probate Judge with a smile as bland as a May morning, hands the Judge a folded paper. 'Judge, will you please O. K. this bill on the Greenfield lunacy cases?' The Judge as has always been customary supposing the Sheriff understands his business, (which indeed he does), hastily attaches his O. K. that the services in the case had been rendered and the job is done."

As will be seen by the first explanation, Judge Hughes, who claims to be a lawyer and is Probate Judge of the county, acknowledges his ignorance at the time he made out and certified the lunacy bills as correct.

The second is a deliberate lie as every lawyer knows and any person who cares to investigate can find out by calling at the Auditor's office and examining any bill that has been presented during Mr. Williamson's term of office. Every bill on file is either in the hand writing of Judge Hughes himself or his deputy, Joe Elton. Mr. Williamson has never made out a bill in a lunacy case and the law does not permit him to do so. All the Sheriff does after conveying the unfortunate to the asylum is to return the warrant to the court on the back of which is put down the number of miles traveled and the expense incurred. From this the court makes out his bill, and if not correct it is the fault of the Probate Judge and not the Sheriff. True Mr. Williamson drew the money, but it was only what a court said he was entitled to, and the attempt to cast reflections on his honesty are cowardly and malicious and will be rebuked by the people at the poles.

Paul Tomlinson.

The following from the Winchester Indiana Journal will call to the minds of many of our readers a former Highland county citizen. Mr. Tomlinson was a son of Moses and Ruth Tomlinson and was born and raised near Dallas.

"Paul Tomlinson was born in Highland county, Ohio, July 26th, 1834, and died at his residence in this city Wednesday morning September 27th, 1899, shortly after 2 o'clock, aged 65 years and two months.

"In the fall of 1895 he moved to this city and with his sons organized the Tomlinson Grain & Lumber Co., of which he was president. About eleven days before his death he was taken sick with typhoid fever and lingered until the above date when death relieved his suffering. He was the father of four boys, one of whom preceded him to the heavenly land. Two of his sons, Samuel and Curtis, are in business here with him, while the other, Joseph, is Warden of the Kansas State Penitentiary. Everybody in this city knew this good old gentleman and especially at every fire since he has been here, has been a hard worker, and to him is due much of the success in battling with the fire fiend. He belongs to the Society of Friends, his membership in the church being at Richmond. Funeral services at the family residence Friday morning, September 29th, at 10 o'clock, after which the remains were laid to rest in Fountain Park cemetery."

Marriage Licenses.

Ernest Sauner and Sarah Stevens. Herby Harris and Mary E. Smith. Warren Suiter and Eliza Shoemaker. Carl H. Johnson and Rosa B. Fox. Harry E. Newby and Minnie Johnson. Robert Rosenbower and Lydia Butler. Preston Crisenberry and Tillie Overstake. Thomas Woods and Laura Vanzant. Z. N. Wright and Elsie Wright.

THE ALUM BAKING POWDERS.

Names of Some of the Principal Brands Sold in this Vicinity.

The recent discussion in the papers of the effect upon the human system from food made with alum baking powders and the opinions that have been published from noted scientists to the effect that such powders render the food unwholesome, leading to grave disorders of the stomach, liver and heart, have caused numerous inquiries for the name of the various alum powders.

An official list of alum baking powders found by State Chemist Weber on sale in this State, has been published from the office of the Ohio Food Commissioner. The names in the following list are quoted from that publication, from the report of the U. S. Agricultural Department Chemist, or some other equally reliable authority.

In Minnesota and Wisconsin of such importance is the matter considered that the legislatures of both States have provided that there shall be printed in plain type upon the labels of all packages of this class of powders the statement that they contain alum.

BAKING POWDERS CONTAINING ALUM:

GOOD LUCK.....Contains Alum Southern Mfg. Co., Richmond, Va. KENTON.....Contains Alum Potter-Parlin Co., Cincinnati. CALUMET.....Contains Alum Calumet Baking Powder Co., Chicago. DELICATESSE.....Contains Alum Delicatessen Baking Powder Co., New York. BON BON.....Contains Alum Grant Chemical Co., Chicago. CROWN.....Contains Alum J. P. Dieter Co., Chicago. SILVER STAR.....Contains Alum Canby, Ash & Canby, Dayton. CAMPBELL'S.....Contains Alum Potter-Parlin Co., Cincinnati.

In addition to these, it is learned that very many grocers are selling what they call their own private or special brands. These powders are put up for the grocer, and his name put upon the labels by manufacturers of alum powders in Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis and elsewhere. The manufacturers, it is said, find their efforts to market their goods in this way greatly aided by the ambition of a grocer to sell a powder with his own name upon the label, especially as he can make an abnormal profit upon it. Many grocers, doubtless, do not know that the powders they are thus pushing contain alum and would be actually contraband in many sections if sold without disguise.

It is quite impossible to give the names of all the alum baking powders in the market. They are constantly appearing in all sorts of disguises and under all kinds of cognomens. They can be avoided, however, by the housekeeper who will bear in mind that all baking powders sold at twenty-five cents or less per pound are liable to contain alum, as pure cream of tartar powders cannot be produced at anything like the price.

Christian Endeavor Convention.

The following program has been arranged for the Christian Endeavor Convention to be held in the Presbyterian Church at this place Wednesday, October 25, 1899:

MORNING SESSION—9:30.
A Forward March Meeting.
Music.
Devotional.
Address of Welcome.....Dr. McSurely
Response.....Starley Strain
Music.
A Forward Movement in Our Own Society.
1. What New Undertakings?
2. How Better the Committee Work?
3. How Improve the Prayer-meeting?
Music.
A Forward Movement in Our Union.
1. Where Can We Form New Young People's Societies?
2. How Increase the Number of Junior Societies?
Music.
A Forward Movement for Missions.
Address.....Rev. W. H. Crothers
Announcements—Dinner.
AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30.
And End of the Century Meeting.
Music.
Devotional.
Business Meeting—Committee Reports.
The Progress of the World in the 19th Century.....Gene Runkle
Solo.....Grace Patterson
The Contribution of the C. E. to the Religious Life of the Century.
1. By Means of the Pledge.
2. Practical Work of the Committees.
3. Increasing the Spirit of Communion with God and Fellowship With Each Other.
"The Man With the Hoe".....Verna VanWinkle
Detroit Impressions.
A Quiet Hour.....Christian Society, Hillsboro
Miscellaneous Business—Adjournment.
EVENING SESSION—7:30.
Music.
Devotional.....G. W. H. Smith
Solo.....Effie Wright
Address.....Rev. A. C. Miller
A Ten Minute Covenant Meeting.
Benediction.

Rosenbower-Butler.

A very pretty affair was the wedding of Robert Rosenbower and Miss Lydia R. Butler last Thursday, October 12, at high noon, at the home of the bride's mother in Centerfield. Rev. J. E. H. Sentman, of Lexington, performed the ceremony in the presence of a few invited guests. Friday they went to Fruitdale, Ross county, where his parents gave a reception in their honor.